* * * All Dealers Must Complete this Form to Obtain a 2008 MA Dealer Permit * * *

2008 MA Seafood Dealer - Primary Buyer & Quota Managed Species Application Form

Definition of Primary Buyer. Any MA Seafood Dealer who purchases marine species, even if for bait purposes, directly from fishermen, is considered a <u>primary buyer</u>, and <u>must</u> indicate so on this application. For businesses with multiple locations, this application must be completed for each location or dealer permit the business has. All primary buyers are required to report all purchases of species bought directly from fishermen, including those caught and sold by fishermen acting as their own dealer. For a description of the reporting requirements, see opposite side of this page. *If you have questions about being a primary buyer and/or the reporting requirements, call the DMF Statistics Project in Gloucester at 978-282-0308 x117.*

Section 1 – Dealer Location Information.								
Dealer Name:								
Permit #: _	DMF ID #: Federal Dealer Permit # (if applicable):							
Dealer Location Address: Street City/Town Zip Code								
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Telephone Number: Contact Name:								
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Month location expects to: Open for business in 2008: Close in 2008:								
Section 2 – Dealer Intention. If you intend on being a primary buyer in 2008, answer <u>YES</u> to question 2A below, answer question 2B, and then 2C if you answered NO to 2B, and complete section 3 before returning the form to the Division with your dealer permit application. If you don't intend on being a primary buyer in 2008, answer <u>NO</u> to question 2A and return the form to the Division with your dealer permit application. Note that if you don't intend to be a primary buyer at this point, and change your mind after obtaining a 2008 permit, you <u>must</u> notify the Division of Marine Fisheries of the primary buyer status change.								
2A. Does the dealer with permit number and location identified above intend on being a primary buyer in 2008 Circle One: YES							3? NO	
2B. If you answered YES to question 2A, will this Dealer report purchases electronical (federal-reporting dealer) in 2008?					y under federal Circle One:	requirer YES	nents NO	
2C. If you answered NO to question 2B, then you are considered to be a state-reporting dealer (you have no federal permits, or possess either a federal lobster or tuna permit only). Please indicate whether or not you would like to report purchases electronically for 2008 as a state-reporting dealer. Circle one: YES NO								
By answering question 2A and signing this authorization application, I certify that I've read and understand all requirements pertinent to the primary purchase of any marine species, including the requirements detailed on the back of this page and will abide by those requirements. Intentionally falsifying primary buyer status constitutes the act of perjury and may result in the loss of license.								
Signature Date							_	
Section 3 – Quota Managed Species. Complete both 3A and 3B only if you answered YES to question 2A.								
3A. Please indicate how you would prefer to receive notifications concerning quota managed species (closures, trip limit changes, etc.) over the course of 2008 by circling one of the following options:								
1. <u>Email</u> (be sure email address above is current) 2. <u>FAX</u> (be sure FAX number above is current) 3. <u>US mail</u>								
3B. If you intend to purchase any of the below listed quota managed species directly from fishermen, you must indicate so by checking the appropriate box(es) next to the species you intend to purchase.								
Check box if buying in 2008	Species Common Name	Latin Name	Check box if buying in 2008	Species Common Name	Latin Name			
	Black Sea Bass	Centropristes striatus	<u> _ </u>	Squids	Loligo pealei, Illex	illecebrosi	IS	
	Bluefish	Pomatomus saltatrix		Spiny Dogfish	Squalus acanthias			
	Cod	Gadus morhua		Striped Bass	Morone saxitilis			
	Haddock	Melanogrammus aeglefinus		Summer Flounder	Paralichthys denta	tus		
II	Scup	Stenotomus chrysops	<u> _ </u>	Tautog	Tautoga onitis			

MASSACHUSETTS PRIMARY BUYER REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

As in 2007, all MA dealers who are primary buyers are required to report their purchases of any marine species (including lobster, shellfish or those intended for bait purposes) from fishermen in 2008. Primary buyers also include fishermen who have a dealer's permit and are acting as their own dealer and selling product that they've caught, (essentially, they are "buying from themselves", and must report their transactions). This reporting requirement covers **all dealers in Massachusetts**, whether federally permitted or not. All reported data is entered into a coast wide database system run by the Atlantic Coastal Cooperative Statistics Program (ACCSP). This is a joint program managed by ACCSP in conjunction with all of the Atlantic States and the Federal Government. For more information on ACCSP, visit the ACCSP website at www.accsp.org.

Federally permitted primary buyers in Massachusetts, other than those that only have a federal lobster or tuna permit, are considered to be "federal-reporting" dealers, and will report all of their purchases of all species from fishermen electronically (via a web based application or other software). All other primary buyers in Massachusetts are considered "state-reporting" dealers, including those that only have a federal lobster or tuna permit. These dealers, although not required to report electronically, can and are encouraged to do so. Many state-reporting dealers are already reporting their transactions electronically in 2007 and are expected to continue to do so in 2008. Regardless whether you are a federal-reporting or a state-reporting dealer, all transactions will be submitted to the same database system and all species purchased should be submitted together. For example, if you are a federal-reporting dealer and you purchase groundfish as well as shellfish, you will report both your groundfish and shellfish transactions electronically. For information about federal permits, contact the National Marine Fisheries Service in Gloucester at 978-281-9370 or go to their website at: www.nero.noaa.gov/fso. If you will be a state-reporting dealer and have questions or would like to report electronically, contact the MA Division of Marine Fisheries at 978-282-0308 x117.

Note that all transactions made directly with fisherman must be reported, regardless of the species purchased or whether the fisherman is federally permitted or not. All vessels and/or fishermen selling any marine species in Massachusetts must have a MA commercial fishing permit. Each commercial permit has a unique Permit ID number (formerly called the DMF ID) this number that must be included in each transaction. Requirements for all primary buyers include:

- 1. All transactions with fishermen, or primary purchases, must be reported. This includes purchases of bait products as well as species caught and sold by fishermen acting as their own dealer.
- 2. Transactions are trip-based. Information collected and submitted by the dealer is as follows:
 - Date landed and purchased
 - ❖ Fisherman purchased from, including the state Permit ID Number (not the 4-digit permit number)
 - Species and amount (in lbs, bushels, etc.)
 - Disposition
 - Price paid
 - ❖ If shellfish, designated shellfish growing area the species of shellfish was harvested from
- 3. Each week's transactions, beginning 00:01 on Sunday and ending at 24:00 on the following Saturday, will be due by 24:00 on Tuesday of the following week, or within 3 days of the end of the week. If you will be a state-reporting dealer and are interested in reporting your transactions electronically rather than on paper, answer YES to question 2C on the front and we will contact you to get you started reporting in this fashion.

Further information including primary buyer packets (worksheets, instructions, FAQ's, etc.) will be mailed after the receipt of this primary buyer application. For questions about reporting requirements, call the DMF Statistics Project at 978-282-0308 x117, or visit the DMF website at www.mass.gov/marinefisheries and follow the link for Dealer Reporting.